

CANTON, OHIO, THURSDAY, MAY 5, 1887.

The Stark Democrat.

Vol. 53. No. 50.

CANTON, OHIO, THURSDAY, MAY 5, 1887.

\$1.50 Per Year.

THE SHOE LOCKOUT ENDED

FOURTEEN HUNDRED LASTERS AND FITTERS RETURN TO WORK.

Other Labor Troubles in Cincinnati Ended or on the Eve of Settlement—Labor Troubles in the East—The Chicago Waiters and Hotelkeepers—Notes.

CINCINNATI, May 4.—The 1,400 shoemakers and shoe fitters will return to work to-morrow morning. Although there are yet some formalities to be gone through, the lockout is virtually ended. The locked out assemblies, Garfield and Hannah Powderly, will sign the rules of joint arbitration, as they have already been signed by six other assemblies and the employers.

"The action of the assemblies which led to the lockout was nonsensical," said District Master Workman Cavanaugh when questioned. "The employers asked nothing of them. The only question was as to whether or not they should sign articles for mutual arbitration, which a majority of their fellow-workmen had sanctioned. It made no difference whether a majority had sanctioned them or not, however, the action of the locked out unions was unauthorized by the Knights of Labor. I could have ended the strike yesterday had I so desired. About half a dozen barrel-house loafers caused the trouble. They were running Hannah Powderly's assembly to suit themselves. We have given them rope and they have hung themselves. They have reached a point in this transaction where they have sunk out of sight so far that they will never bob to the surface again."

"Have you ordered the assemblies to sign the rules?" was asked.

"I have not ordered them back, but it really amounts to the same thing. We have advised them to voluntarily go back, and the necessary action will be taken by both assemblies."

"How about the tinner's?" was further asked of Mr. C.

"That is another difficulty that will be settled soon, I cannot say exactly when. I was talking to a prominent employer and he said that if it were in his hands he would settle it at once. Some employers have conceded the 20 per cent. demanded by the employees, and it is only a question of a few days until the employers concede the demand."

"The brickmakers' little kick," continued Mr. Cavanaugh, "is over. The brickmakers' season began yesterday, but the 300 members of the trade in this city refused to go to work unless they were allowed extra pay for the three nights each season which each man has to sit up and watch the kilns. The trouble has been settled by giving the brickmakers the wages they received last year, running from \$1.75 to \$2.75 per day according to department of work and skill. No extra pay is allowed for the three nights' extra work, and the men return to work to-morrow."

Nearly all the boss tinner's and roofers have granted their employees the 20 per cent. advance demanded.

Efforts are being made to compromise the strike of the brass workers who are out for fifty-five hours a week at Post & Co.'s, Hesterberg & Co.'s and other brass foundries. The men claim it is only a demand for a half holiday on Saturday, which Lunkenheimer, Powell, Duckback and others have allowed for about a year. The firms state that they cannot afford to allow the half holiday and compete with other cities where it is not allowed.

The brassmakers concluded not to go out this morning, having had a conference with the bosses yesterday at which a satisfactory compromise was promised. Several manufacturers, including Rice and Johnson, have agreed to pay the scale.

Among the Molders.

CINCINNATI, May 4.—Hedway & Burton are preparing to open their foundry next Monday, but in the meantime they have been negotiating with jobbing foundries in the West end to have castings from St. Louis struck patterns made there. Among those approached were Schaeffer & Co., Byrner & Co., Eureka foundry and Crane, Broad & Co. A strike was almost precipitated among the molders in the latter foundry by the report that the patterns had been introduced there. The molders are united in a determination not to handle the patterns. As Hedway & Burton have their own foundry, their move is regarded as a shrewd attempt to force a new lockout among the molders, as under the recent agreement apprentices will have to handle the patterns.

The Favorite Stove works started this morning, and their management claim to have more molders at work than before the lockout. The situation at Detroit remains unchanged, except that the patterns from other shops are being introduced at a lively rate. At the Michigan Stove works they have ten from the Central Stove works, of Keokuk, Iowa; at the Peninsular Stove works, five from Cleveland and five from A. Bradley & Company, Pittsburg, and at the Detroit Stove works, four from Quincy, Ill.

Carpenters' Demands.

BROCKTON, Mass., May 4.—The carpenters have sent the following circular to their employers: "We, the carpenters of Brockton, do hereby demand that on and after May 1, 1887, the wages shall be \$2.50 as a minimum price per day for ten hours' work until August 1, 1887, and that on and after that date \$2.50 shall be the minimum price for nine hours' work."

The reason for fixing the change in a day's work at August 1, was to allow the employers to finish all contracts before the change went into effect. The Brockton bricklayers, Upholsters' assembly, No. 4720, Knights of Labor, has ordered a strike here, and as a result about fifty journeymen masons notified their respective employers that they should do no more work until their wages were raised from \$3, the present rate, to \$3.50 per day. No employers have acceded to the demands of the strikers.

The Chicago Hodcarriers.

CHICAGO, May 4.—It was estimated at the headquarters of the hodcarriers this morning that 1,500 men were out on strike. Some of the largest contractors, including Morse and Chambers, and John Griffith, who built the Rialto, have granted the advance. On five jobs the bricklayers have refused to work with "reds," and on two the plasterers have quit for the same reason, while one bricklayer's union decided not to work where police protection is necessary.

At Haverhill, Massachusetts.

Haverhill, Mass., May 4.—The plasterers here have struck, because their demand for stopping work at 4 o'clock on Saturday afternoon was not granted by the employers. The hodcarriers have also struck, as they requested a raise in wages from \$2.25 to \$2.50 per day was not granted by the bosses. All work with these classes is suspended.

Waiters' Strike.

CHICAGO, May 4.—The demand of the Chicago Waiters' assembly that its members should receive an advance in wages of \$1 per week was acceded to-day by all of the employers in the city except three of the principal restaurant keepers. At the restaurants where the advance was refused the waiters struck.

KNOCKED OUT IN THREE ROUNDS.

Hughie Regan and Mike Breslin Engage in an Early Morning Fight.

New York, May 4.—Hughie Regan and Mike Breslin, both of this city, fought a prize fight at daybreak this morning for a purse of \$300, Queensberry rules. The men wore kid gloves with the fingers cut off. The fight took place in the dining-room of a hotel near Tenth Avenue, West Chester county. Regan is twenty-nine years old and weighed 132 pounds. He stands five feet seven inches in height. It was his first fight and he was clearly overmatched. Breslin, who is but nineteen years of age, has figured in several encounters. He was decidedly the better man of the two and did most of the fighting. He weighed 126 pounds and stood five feet six and one-half inches in height.

In the first round, Breslin rushed in and knocked Regan clean down three times in succession with heavy blows. Breslin, in the second round, again felled Regan twice and drove him all over the room. Breslin gained first blood in the first round. The third round was almost a repetition of the first two. Breslin drove his opponent all around the ring, getting in some heavy blows, and finally landing a stinger on Regan's jaw, which sent him in a heap, senseless and bleeding. He was unable to recover in the ten seconds allowed before calling time and the fight was awarded to Breslin. The latter received little or no punishment.

Paul Grottkau Guilty.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., May 4.—The jury in the case of Paul Grottkau, charged with inciting riot at Milwaukee garden last May, brought in a verdict of guilty at 9:30 this morning. Counsel for the defense moved for a new trial on the ground that the counsel for the prosecution influenced the jury by treating them during adjournments of the trial. The motion will be heard next Saturday morning at 11 o'clock. Judge Sloan this morning sentenced John Odal and Joseph Skrzypczinski, who were convicted of rioting at Bay View. The former was sent to the house of correction for four months at hard labor, and the latter was fined \$50 and costs. John Dolna and Stephen Rozga was allowed to go under suspension of sentence.

Railroad Changes Hands.

EVANSVILLE, Ind., May 4.—About a month ago a report was circulated that the Chicago & Indianapolis stock company had purchased the Evansville & Terre Haute, and Evansville & Indianapolis railroads and their branches. From good authority it is learned that the formal transfer will take place soon. The Evansville & Terre Haute will be re-laid with steel rails and the entire property will be consolidated under a new management.

The Fotheringham Case.

ST. LOUIS, May 4.—The case against David Fotheringham, the Adams express messenger who was robbed by Fred. Wittrick, alias "Jim Cummings," came up in the criminal court in this city to-day. There is considerable interest in the trial because of the general belief in Fotheringham's innocence, and it promises to be stubbornly contested. Nothing further than preliminaries to selecting a jury was done.

High Water in Maine.

CALAIS, Me., May 4.—Many bridges have been carried away and the country roads are impassable on account of the freshet in this vicinity. The pressure on the dam at Grand Lake is so great that it is thought the gates will have to be hoisted to relieve it. This would greatly endanger the mills along the river. The water in Maine river has fallen nearly as much as it rose during the night.

Passenger Train Wrecked.

DENVER, Col., May 4.—The west bound Atlantic & Pacific passenger train leaving Albuquerque, at 3 o'clock yesterday morning, ran off the track fifteen miles from Coolidge, N. M., and was badly wrecked. Several persons were killed and several wounded. Particulars have not been obtained, as the telegraph offices are controlled by the road and information is refused.

Storm in Chicago Suburbs.

CHICAGO, May 4.—A severe windstorm which passed over the northwestern portion of this city yesterday, did much damage in the suburban towns. Several houses were unroofed, many outbuildings destroyed and fences and trees generally torn up and scattered about. Several people were seriously injured, and one carpenter, who was blown from the top of a building, will die.

A Marvelous Escape.

WALPOLE, Mass., May 4.—A singular accident occurred to the New York express train at Readville yesterday. While running at the rate of about forty miles an hour, a driving wheel fell off. The road bed was torn up for a long distance, but the train kept the track until stopped. The escape from a terrible disaster is considered marvelous.

Miss Bowman Improving.

LOUISVILLE, May 4.—Jennie Bowman, the servant girl so brutally assaulted by negro fiends some days ago, is gradually improving, and by the end of the week it is thought she may be able to view the prisoners for the purpose of identification. The mob has melted away, and Patterson is still held until he can satisfy the police of his innocence.

Balloting at Charleston.

CHARLESTON, W. Va., May 4.—A ballot for United States senator was taken in extra session of the legislature at 12 o'clock to-day with the following result: Ex-Senator J. N. Camden, Democrat, 39; W. H. H. Plink, Republican, 33; Senator Daniel B. Lucas, Democrat, 7, and twelve scattering votes. No election yet.

A Bishop Resigns.

DETROIT, Mich., May 4.—Casper H. Baggis, bishop of Detroit, has resigned. During his seventeen years incumbency he has had very many troubles, and before sending his resignation, promulgated a sentence of excommunication against all who were concerned in the Polish riots a year ago.

Schooner Sunk.

PHILADELPHIA, May 4.—The schooner Grace K. Green, sunk at the mouth of the Schuylkill river during the night. The vessel belonged in Kennebunk. The crew was saved. The accident resulted from the vessel setting on her anchor and knocking a light in her bottom.

Fight Between Smugglers and Mexicans.

LAREDO, Tex., May 4.—In a fight between smugglers and Mexican customs officials, just below here last night, one of the customs guards was killed. The smugglers escaped with their booty. One of their number is thought to have been badly wounded.

Injured While Driving.

STAMFORD, Conn., May 4.—Hon. Alfred Hoyt, and wife were both seriously injured last evening by their horse becoming unmanageable. Mr. Hoyt's collarbone was broken and Mrs. Hoyt's arm broken and was otherwise injured.

Buried Under a Gravel Bank.

DALLAS, Tex., May 4.—A dozen workmen were engaged in loading a gravel train on the Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fe road when the bank caved in, burying all the men. One man was crushed to death and four others fatally injured.

KING KALAKAUA'S WIFE.

QUEEN KAPIOLANI ARRIVES AT OUR NATIONAL CAPITAL.

Arrangements Made for the Queen to Call on the President and Mrs. Cleveland—A Benevolent Creature on Her Way to Visit Victoria—Queen Emma.



QUEEN KAPIOLANI.

WASHINGTON, May 4.—Queen Kapiolani, of the Hawaiian Islands, who arrived in San Francisco on April 29, arrived in Washington to-day and immediately went to the Arlington Hotel. Arrangements have been made for the queen to call on the president and Mrs. Cleveland at noon on Wednesday. The queen and suite will arrive here early Tuesday evening and go at once to the Arlington. A time will be appointed by the queen during her stay here for the diplomatic corps to call on her, and she will also probably receive calls from the naval officers who have been stationed at Honolulu, all of whom have met her majesty, and many of whom have danced with her.

After spending a few days here, sight-seeing she will go to New York. From there she goes to England to be present at the queen's jubilee. She has never been out of her own country before, and is quite anxious to see the "greatest woman on the face of earth," as she calls Queen Victoria. Queen Kapiolani is not of what is known as royal blood in Honolulu. Strictly speaking, neither is King Kalakaua of royal blood, as he was elected to the throne and did not inherit it.

The last of the royal family in the Hawaiian Islands was the late Queen Emma. Although not occupying the throne she was treated with the greatest respect and veneration. She had a magnificent house and retinue of servants, but she seldom used either. She would lie on the ground sunning herself all day, and eat nothing but "poi poi." "Poi poi" is the national dish and is made of Tara root and raw fish. There is three kinds of "poi"—one finger "poi," one two finger "poi," and one three finger "poi." The two finger "poi" is the most common and is used for all purposes. The three finger "poi" is a little thinner, while three finger "poi" is intended for children and strangers. Queen Emma always used one fingered "poi" and was known as one of the most expert eaters on the island. Her hand was the finest in Honolulu, and every Tuesday and Saturday would play in "Queen Emma's" gardens.

King Kalakaua, though not greatly liked, is very much feared. As he drives through the streets in his brougham, drawn by a pair of magnificent horses, the people all stop and uncover. He never returns a salute except to foreigners. He is passionately fond of boat racing, and always keeps a fourteen oared barge and a six oared gig for racing purposes. None of the visiting men of war except the American race with him. All the rest are afraid of the "Kanaka" boats. In 1883 when the "Alaska" was in Honolulu, she had one of the fastest fourteen oared boats in the service, and challenged the king's people to race. The Americans won, and about \$10,000 changed hands on the result. Kalakaua took the victorious Americans ashore and gave them a banquet. As they were leaving the king presented them with a pair of small golden oars and \$50 in money.

The king thinks a great deal of Americans, as the following incident will show: An apprentice boy named Hopkins deserted from the Hartford at San Francisco and went to Honolulu. After knocking about for some time and not being able to get anything to do, he went to the king and said: "Mr. Kalakaua, I am an American and want some work." "Well," said the king, "I like your name and will see what I can do for you." The next day he was made a government overseer, at a salary of \$1,200 per annum. Queen Kapiolani is about forty years old. She is very large, and has a benevolent cast of feature. She interests herself in all charities, and has been the means of getting an appropriation of \$15,000 for the Kapiolani home for leper girls. She is accompanied by the Princess Silivikiani, who is the king's sister, and her two children. The party is under the charge of Col. Pankas, the king's chamberlain. He has been all over Europe and the United States, and speaks several languages fluently. The queen speaks nothing but her native tongue, and is thus safe from the interviewer.

A Wisconsin Hurricane.

EAD CLAIR, Wis., May 4.—A terrific hurricane, unaccompanied by rain, prevailed here all day yesterday, filling the air with dense clouds of dust, and almost blinding those who ventured out. The amount of broken glass found and other property destroyed in the city will aggregate over \$2,500. Several farm dwellings in the vicinity were unroofed, and a dwelling and a barn in the town of Ludington were demolished.

Shot at a Dummy.

PORTLAND, Ind., May 4.—Sunday night as Elmer Betts, sixteen years, and Willie Sasser, ten, were coming from church they noticed a "dummy" in a fence corner, which one of them had rigged up to scare them. Betts pulled a .32-caliber pistol and fired three shots at it, the last one striking Sasser in the left temple, killing him instantly. Betts gave himself up, but was discharged by the coroner.

Anxious to Get Home.

BUFFALO, N. Y., May 4.—Prince Louise Esterhazy arrived here last evening and registered at the Genesee. He was accompanied only by his colored valet, and was ill when he arrived. This morning he left at 9 o'clock for New York, saying he was anxious to get home.

Another Unknown Man Suicides.

CINCINNATI, May 4.—An unknown man jumped from the ferryboat which lands at the foot of Central avenue, when it was out in the channel last evening, and was drowned. He was middle aged and well dressed.

Hop House Burned.

MILWAUKEE, May 4.—Late yesterday afternoon the hop house belonging to Philip Best's brewery was damaged to the extent of \$25,000 or \$30,000 by fire.

HOUSE DYNAMITERS.

Desperate Work of the Whisky Gang at Waterville, Ohio.

TOLEDO, O., May 4.—Six or eight months ago the people of Waterville, a small town in the southwest corner of this county, voted in favor of the local option clause of the Dow law, and the city council consequently ordered all saloons closed. This action engendered bitter feelings between the saloon element and the law and order people, and many threats were made by the former. One man was arrested, tried and discharged, Judge Pike holding the important sections of the law were unconstitutional.

Since that time the saloonists have been emboldened and have defied the law. Last night they hired two men, Jacob Miller and Charles Schilling, to blow up the jail and city buildings. Dynamite shells were placed under the billings, but when the time came to fire them the hired agents weakened and refused to do the work, but were finally urged and threatened until they consented. The explosion did considerable damage to the buildings, but failed to complete their destruction, although they were badly shattered, incurring a damage of \$3,000 or \$3,500. Miller and Schilling have been arrested, and were bound over to the grand jury.

Imposter and Perjuror.

PHILADELPHIA, May 4.—Annie F. Quinn, or Mrs. Annie F. Smith, as she called herself, who claimed to be the wife of Houston Smith, Jr., whose father died recently leaving an estate valued at \$40,000, to which the woman's son had claim, was shown by her counsel in court yesterday to be an imposter and a perjurer. In working up the case he found some very old records which showed that Annie F. Quinn had given birth to a child at the same house and on the same day on which the alleged Mrs. Smith said her son, the claimant, was born. This showed conclusively that Annie F. Quinn and the bogus Mrs. Smith were one and the same person. The estate will now go to a daughter of Mr. Smith. A reward of \$5,000 had been offered to Annie Quinn if she would not herself know, but under the names of Mrs. Smith she deceived her counsel very successfully. She still denies that she is Annie Quinn.

Business Outlook.

NEW YORK, May 4.—The annual report of the New York chamber of commerce for the year ending May 31, says that the trade of the country is again firmly established on a healthy basis; that the year has opened satisfactorily, and that the outlook is again encouraging. With regard to the interstate commerce bill the report says: After two years of debate, of alternate elation and discouragement, the National congress, resting on the provisions of the constitution, has asserted its right to regulate commerce between the states. Under the control of a wise commission there will be an end to the various wars among railroad companies, and, we hope, such National regulations as shall secure greater safety to the traveler.

English Shoe Manufacturers.

GLASSBORO, N. J., May 4.—A levy has been made by Sheriff Packer on the factory of Gibbs and Wesley, the missing shoe manufacturers, who are said to have eloped last week with two girls employed in their factory. The levy was made to protect some of the stockholders. Peter Burdette, Gibbs' father-in-law, had \$10,000 invested in the business, and Mr. Whitney, the glass manufacturer, was also pecuniarily interested in the firm. John Wesley, the brother of the missing partner and with whom he was living, has left the village, and no one knows where he has gone. The affairs of the firm are in much confusion.

The Wrong Man Killed.

SAV FRANCISCO, May 4.—Miss Herman Lyons was murdered on her ranch near Napa, February 17, by a farm hand named Pete Olson, who escaped, and for whose capture a large reward is outstanding. Saturday a report reached here that Olson was killed while resisting arrest near Bakerfield, Cal. An investigation made yesterday shows that the wrong man had been killed. The victim was M. H. Seibert, a farmer who lately settled near Bakerfield.

Coal Breaker Burned.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., May 4.—No. 10 breaker, of the Lehigh & Wilkesbarre coal company situated at Sugar Notch, three miles from here, was destroyed by fire this morning. Within three hours from the time the fire broke out the enormous structure was totally destroyed with all its valuable machinery. The breaker had not been in operation for some time past. The cause of the fire is unknown. The loss is estimated at \$50,000.

The Law Must Take Its Course.

NEW YORK, May 4.—Peter Smith, the condemned murderer, was informed to-day that the governor had declined to interfere with the execution of the law and that on Thursday morning he should be executed. Smith never faltered, and said: "Well, I have got to be resigned and am ready to die. I feel prepared for my end and will die like a man."

Died From the Effects of a Cat.

HILLSBORO, O., May 4.—Riley Phillips, the colored man cut by John Day on the 9th of April, in the affray over a game of cards, died last Saturday morning. Day's examining trial was held before Esquire Mattox this morning, and the result was that he was bound over in the sum of \$300.

No Claw to the Train Robbers.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 4.—The detective employed by Wells, Fargo & Co. to trace the Papago train robbers, telegraphed to-day from Tucson that no claw had yet been obtained, and that the report of an arrest was erroneous.

Bob Turnbull Dead.

NEW YORK, May 4.—A dispatch from Logansport, Ind., announces the sudden death of Bob Turnbull, the middle weight. His body will be forwarded to New York. He has been traveling with Sullivan's combination.

Dividend on Railroad Stock.

PHILADELPHIA, May 4.—The Pennsylvania railroad directors at their meeting yesterday declared a semi-annual dividend of 2 1/2 per cent. on the capital stock of the company, payable in cash on and after May 31.

The Excise Law Affects Hotelkeepers.

NEW YORK, May 4.—The corporation counsel has advised the police board that under the excise law hotelkeepers have no right to sell, give or furnish ale, wine or spirituous liquor to their guests on Sunday.

A Slight Defalcation.

BOSTON, May 4.—Capt. Isaac Houghton, assistant bookkeeper for Scull & Bradley, insurance agents, is said to be a defaulter to the extent of from \$10,000 to \$12,000.

No Result.

TALLAHASSEE, Fla., May 4.—In the legislature to-day the vote for United States Senator was as follows: Perry 21, Bloxham 21, Passen 16, Filly 2, Goodrich 11.

Foreign Fruit Failure.

BALTIMORE, May 4.—J. Hart & Co., foreign fruit, etc., have failed. Assets, \$25,000; liabilities, \$99,000.

OUR WASHINGTON NEWS.

AN IMPORTANT ORDER ISSUED FROM THE POSTMASTER GENERAL.

Postal Facilities Extended Into China. The Rates of Postage—Workmen Busily Engaged in Erecting a Fence Around the National Drill Grounds.

WASHINGTON, May 4.—Postmaster General Vilas to-day issued the following important order: On and after this date articles of every kind and nature which are admitted to the United States domestic mails, shall be admitted to the mails exchanged between the United States and United States postal agency at Shanghai, China, subject, however, to the following rates of postage, which in all cases shall be fully prepaid: First class matter, five cents for each half ounce or fraction of one-half ounce; postal cards, two cents each.

Second and third class matter, and samples of merchandise, not exceeding eight ounces in weight—One cent for each two ounces or fraction of two ounces.

Fourth-class matter—One cent for each ounce or fraction of an ounce. Registration fee—Ten cents; no additional charge for return receipt. Ordered further: That articles other than letters in their usual and ordinary form, shall never be closed against inspection, but must be so wrapped or inclosed that they may be readily and thoroughly examined by postmasters and customs officers.

Preparing for the National Drill.

WASHINGTON, May 4.—Workmen are busily engaged in erecting the fence about the White lot for the coming National drill. The fence will be twelve feet high. The grounds are in the shape of ellipses, and are 1,048 feet one way and 338 the other. The main entrance to the grounds will be immediately to the south of the executive mansion. Beyond the grand stands will be the cheaper seats extending half way round the ellipse. The seating capacity is estimated at 15,000.

A Locomotive Boiler Explodes.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., May 4.—About 8 o'clock this morning as a switch engine in charge of Engineer Berdell and W. D. Bates was coming out of the Belle Dock roundhouse the boiler exploded. The engineer, fireman and several other employees were badly injured. The shock of the explosion was heard throughout the lower part of the city. The injured are: Berdell, engineer, badly cut about the head; W. D. Bates, fireman, badly cut and bruised; McMillen, badly cut about the head and probably has several ribs broken; John Askell, watchman, cut about the head; William Douglas, badly cut; Michael Reynolds, hurt in the back. Three other persons, whose names have not been learned, were also injured.

Rain in Texas.

FORT WORTH, Tex., May 4.—Reports received last night from thirty-two points show that copious rains have fallen within the past twenty-four hours throughout northern, central and western Texas, extending north to Indian Territory and south beyond Austin. In some places in this territory not enough rain has fallen at any one time within eighteen months to settle the dust. The reports indicate an average of eleven hours hard rain. In several localities the rain was preceded by a terrific wind storm. Many outhouses were demolished, and a few residences are reported wrecked, with some people hurt. No one was killed, and \$50,000 will cover all the minor losses.

A Big Chicago Fire.

CHICAGO, May 4.—The American Bridge works at, Fortieth and Stewart avenue, were seriously damaged by fire last evening. The works comprised six large shops, and covered about five acres of ground, and owing to the strong wind that was blowing it was impossible to save any of them. George Hallet, a laborer, and William Barber, a fireman, were struck by a falling derrick. Hallet died two hours after the accident, but the fireman will recover. The loss is about \$400,000, chiefly on valuable machinery and work partially completed, and still in the shops. Five hundred men are thrown out of employment.

Indianapolis in No Hurry.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., May 4.—At the meeting of the city council last night an ordinance was introduced in the interest of the Standard Oil company, providing for laying mains and introducing the use of natural gas into the city, the company proposing to pipe it from Noblesville. An effort was made to pass the ordinance at once, but the matter was finally referred to a special committee, with power to visit other cities and observe the workings of gas as fuel, and investigate the terms on which fuel is furnished. This action necessarily delays the introduction of natural gas for some weeks.

Thunder and Hail Storm.

PLYMOUTH, Wis., May 4.—A severe thunder storm accompanied with hail, was experienced at an early hour yesterday morning, which was followed by a terrific gale, which reached the height of its fury about noon, during which the Plymouth house, near the Union depot, was unroofed. It is probable that other casualties will be reported later from more distant portions.

Driven to Suicide.

AKRON, O., May 4.—William Betz, a wealthy citizen, hanged himself yesterday. He was released from an insane asylum thirty years ago, and has been sane ever since, except that he was convinced that thirty years from the day of his release he would be returned to the asylum. The idea worked upon his mind so disastrously that it drove him to suicide.

Steamer Burned to the Water's Edge.

SUREBOYAN, Wis., May 4.—The steamer J. P. Heath is reported to have burned to the water's edge and sunk, a little north of Centerville, yesterday afternoon. The wheelman, George Olson, of this city, was drowned. The vessel was loaded with a deck load of hay, which was insured, and valued at \$5,000.

Death of a Prominent Man.

NEW YORK, May 4.—Thomas H. McAvoy, who for years was superintendent of repairs and supplies in the department of public works, and who has figured quite prominently in local politics, died last night at his residence in this city. He was a member of the county Democracy and a life-long Democrat.

Indian Depredations.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., May 4.—A special from Winnipeg gives the particulars of recent Indian depredations at Medicine Hat. Shots were exchanged between some settlers and Indians who were stealing horses. On the stealing is frequent, and the mounted police are in pursuit of the thieves.

Cardinal Gibbons Extending His Visit.

NEW YORK, May 4.—A private telegram brings the information that Cardinal Gibbons had decided to visit England and Ireland and possibly other parts of northern Europe before returning to America. It is expected that the primate will sail for New York some time in July.

LOSSES BY FIRE.

An Elevator Burned at Louisville, Kentucky—Other Property Destroyed.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., May 3.—The immense grain elevator of John C. Brown, John C. Brown & Co., at Louisville, Ky., was burned to-day this morning. In addition, the freight cars, and several small residences in the neighborhood were seriously damaged or totally destroyed. The fire originated in the engine room of Brown, John C. & Co.'s elevator. The members of the firm are Joseph G. Brown, Nicholas L. Johnson and Samuel C. Walker. The warehouse was an extensive one and both it and the elevator were well filled. Mr. Johnson said his loss would be heavy, but he could not even form an estimate. It would be in the neighborhood of \$100,000. They were insured, he said, in companies represented by Barbee & Castleman and Theobald & Young, but not fully. From another source it was estimated that their insurance would not amount to over \$60,000. The loss on the Strader elevator will reach \$75,000 to \$85,000. This is fully covered by insurance, \$40,000 of which is on the building and the remainder on the stock in the Scottish Union and National, of Edinburgh, and Lion of London. The building was five stories high, and was erected in 1882. It was one of the finest and perhaps the largest elevator in the city. The loss on the cars will be about \$7,000, and the total loss is roughly estimated at \$200,000, including the residence buildings. A scarcity of water crippled the fire department severely.